

The Press and Banner.

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Forty-Sixth Year.

With this issue of the Press and Banner the editor begins his forty-sixth year of labor in the office.

Of the two hundred voters in town when he entered the office, in April, 1859, we can recall only the following names of persons who still survive:

Mr. George A. Douglass,
Capt. John G. Edwards,
Judge R. E. Hill,
Mr. J. Fraser Livingston,
Hon. W. H. Parker,
Dr. W. T. Penney,
Mr. L. W. Perrin,
Col. J. T. Robertson,
Mr. L. H. Russell,
Mr. T. C. Seal,
Mr. John W. Sign,
Mr. W. Joel Smith,
Mr. H. T. Tupper,
Capt. L. W. White,
Mr. George White.

Of those who moved away, and still live, we would mention Mr. W. C. Moore, who is now in a distant home.

Col. T. B. Crews, editor of the Laurensville Herald, is another who was a citizen of Abbeville in 1859. He is still in the land of the living, doing good work for himself and his fellowman.

Coming home from the war each of these gentlemen set to work to make a living for himself and to gain a competency for old age.

In the passing years fickle fortune smiled or frowned in turn upon each. Some sunshine and some rain fell along the path of each. All are now past sixty, some are past seventy, and some are well on toward eighty.

Easter.

Last Sunday was Easter. It was a beautiful day, and nearly everybody was out of doors. Ladies who had pretty hats went to church, and there were more pretty women at divine service on Sunday morning than had been there in many a day. The hats are now more beautiful than ever before and when they cover a pretty face the combination is unspeakably lovely.

They may trim hats with flowers, birds, ribbons, rare jewels, and all other such things that dazzle the eye and captivate the heart, but a pretty face is the prettiest thing that ever adorned a pretty hat.

As a dreamer Jacob took the cake in the old times. Being weary, as you all know, he lay down in the shade of an oak tree, it is supposed of the variety under which careless farmers now store their cotton, and he fell asleep. In his sleep he dreamed that he saw the angels ascending and descending that great imaginary ladder which reached from earth to heaven. These angels were but a dream of beauty and loveliness, while the women who go to our churches, and pass up and down our streets, wearing the prettiest millinery, are divinities indeed. They are substantial realities before whom the world falls down and does homage. We see them in life, and in health, and in beauty, and in sweetness, so good and so true, that we feel sorry for poor old Jacob who was imposed upon by a vision which was in fact as delusive as the farmer's dream about the future high price of cotton while his bales are rotting or taking the blue mold under an oak tree.

In the afternoon many belles and beaux went driving the nicest horses and the nicest buggies in town. In fact, the demand for nice buggies and quick steps was great.

During the afternoon all sorts of people went walking, except those who hired teams. In the driving procession we were reminded of an occurrence which we have told before.

In Columbia years ago this editor hired a carriage and horses to take some young ladies driving. During the drive we passed Mr. Beattie of Greenville, who was walking with his lady on the sidewalk. He was rich and able to own and keep carriages and horses every day in the year. We were not able to hire a carriage for two hours. There was an object lesson in the incident. Our hired carriage was driven back to the livery stable, where it belonged. We haven't hired a carriage since that time. We are walking now.

It may be that you think we are talking more about flowers and pretty women than about the worship of the Author of our being. But our Saviour talked of flowers. He loved the flowers for both their beauty and their sweetness. He likened himself to the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley. He said that Solomon in his glory was not arrayed like the most modest of the flowers. After the crucifixion he was, no doubt, taken to the most lovely of all the gardens to be buried amid the flowers where the birds in the overhanging branches of the trees sang their sweetest songs. Wherever there is purity, wherever there is beauty and love, wherever there is gloom or sorrow, the flowers are ever welcome. At our birth, at our marriage, and at our death, the flowers are always appropriate. Without flowers to beautify our homes, to decorate our churches, or to make more beautiful the landscape the Easter would be less cheerful, less reminding of the occasion of the most important festival in the church.

In Abbeville Again.

Mr. Thomas T. Cromer was in town one day last week, investing a little more of his surplus cash in our furniture factory stock. The prospect is, that he will become a tower of strength to one of our manufacturing enterprises. He has the money, and, actuated by the noble impulse to come to the relief of his brother, as well as by the prospect of making a small pile while the cotton market is dull, Mr. Cromer will make the Abbeville furniture factory fairly jump—if you know what "jump" means.

If we are not in error our neighbor, from the town of prohibitionists and blind tigers, the News and Views, is somewhat exercised for fear Mr. Cromer may bring all his pile this way instead of investing it in Greenwood.

The Press and Banner would be sorry to take anything from our sister town, but whatever comes is glist in Abbeville's mill. So Mr. Cromer will find a splendid place to invest a little of the money which he made off the New York gudgeons, who try to get the best of the man who grows the cotton. We know that Mr. Cromer's removal to Abbeville would be a severe loss to Greenwood, but then think how much Abbeville would make in the deal.

Desecration of the Temple.

Recently some boys went to one of our drug stores and bought a bottle of offensive or odoriferous medicine and on Sunday poured it over the cushion in one of the pews at the Episcopal Church in this city.

It is hard to characterize this deed and we have no doubt that the young gentlemen are heartily ashamed of such a notorious trespass. Even if they should feel inclined to treat the act as a joke the probability of severe punishment in case the names of the perpetrators of the deed should become known, will prevent their making merry over an act for which they might suffer in both good name and personal inconvenience in compulsory absence from the public works.

A New Lumber Yard.

The advertisement of Mr. W. H. Long informs the public that he is in the lumber business. Abbeville is growing so fast that there is no telling our possibilities. Mechanics of all kinds are pressed every day with work, and new men are being called for. It was only last week that Mr. W. W. White, building expert, went to Atlanta for additional help. Dr. L. T. Hill and Dr. G. A. Newell have been here well under way.

Mr. L. T. Miller has the frame on the pillars for a new dwelling.

Capt. L. W. White is clearing his lot preparatory to building an elegant home.

Mr. J. C. Ellis has just furnished as pretty a house as can be found in Abbeville.

President J. R. Blake and manager John Lyon are building a new warehouse at the Southern station. Messrs. John and A. W. Calhoun will occupy one of the rooms as a wholesale grocery store. This wholesale grocery business is something new, and the amount of the sales which the Messrs. Calhoun are making, is a surprise to us all. Many of our merchants recognize a good thing when they see it, and have fallen into line and are liberal buyers. They buy from the Messrs. Calhoun, not because they love them, but because it is to their interest.

The warehouse is proving alike for the farmer and merchant, one of the best institutions in town. The stockholders are waiting for the dividends, but who cares for dividends so long as we have no stock. Those of us who have no stock are in position to wait, and can afford to do so. Those who have stock are able to wait, but will be sure to get a dividend—after awhile—in a few years at the latest, when the stock ought to be worth away above par. A good dividend has been going to make needed improvements or to finish paying cost of construction.

An debt having been paid and the demand for more shares was such that it was deemed wise to add another section to the already large building. The roof would have been on it by this time, but the contractor to furnish the lumber, Dr. S. G. Thomson, had the misfortune to lose it in the destruction by fire in a drying kiln. But in a little while the lumber will be on the ground and the building will be only a short time in its present unfinished condition. The people are beginning to see the advantage of a warehouse, and are making more and more use of it as the years come and go. The high price of cotton has been of great benefit to the warehouse as well as to the farmer. The farmer, if he needs the money, can take his receipts to any of our banks and draw money while his cotton is being safely kept at a nominal cost.

Brick.

While Mr. J. L. McMillan has been making millions of brick annually, yet he has more on hand at this time, which could be had for either love or money.

But to supply the demand he has equipped three different brick yards, and has either set them in operation or is about ready to do so. One yard is at Darrahough, on the Southern. Another is on Long Cape on the Seaboard. The third is at Mrs. Leslie's, some two miles northwest of the city.

Mr. McMillan has quite a reputation for making good brick, and everybody knows that his prices are reasonable.

The New Oil Mill.

The talk of a new oil mill in Abbeville has about died out, but we notice that the farmers of Newberry have gone to work and raised a subscription of \$9,000 from the people of different sections who have cotton to gin and seed to sell. It is contemplated giving the town people an opportunity to invest with them. If the farmers around Abbeville so will it, a new mill can be built at this place, and one of their number could take active control of it, so that the owners and the customers would realize every good that there is in the enterprise.

Getting Ripe.

Candidates are beginning to ripen, and it will be only a little while until the boys can begin to "pull 'em."

SALE DAY.

Sale of Real Estate in the Town of Due West.

Last Monday was Sale Day, and quite a number of good humored and well behaved people were here.

The only official sales that were made were those of the Master under decree in the case of James Edgar Smith against J. Altheus Johnson, being 15 acres, divided into tracts, as follows:

Tract No. 1, 7.5 of an acre, with double cabin and well, \$100. James Edgar Smith, plaintiff, buyer.

Tract No. 2, 6.34 acres, to James Edgar Smith, \$200.

Tract No. 3, 6.13 acres to Arch D. Kennedy, \$100.

Tract No. 4, 9.13 acres to J. C. Tribble, \$200.

Tract No. 5, 1.84 acres, the homestead, to James Edgar Smith \$900.

This lacked a little of paying the mortgage and costs, leaving the plaintiff nothing.

A Boy Hero.

"To him, I am sure I owe it that I am at home, that I am alive and able to acknowledge my debt," wrote James O'Donnell Bennett, war correspondent of a New York paper, from the yellow fever hospital, near Siboney Cuba.

"I shall not soon forget," he continues, "that little, swarthy, smiling Italian, who, despite his nativity, is as good an American as ever lifted his hat to the flag. Frank Martinez is his name, and when he is not busy saving lives, he plays the tuba in the band of the Thirtieth United States Infantry."

When the yellow fever broke out at Siboney, an isolation camp was established some two or three miles back in the woods. Thither he who had the fever were taken, and thither went Frank Martinez. There were between fifty and seventy-five of us, and he was our only nurse. Without him I do not know what we should have done, and yet he was such a little chap, and he had never had the fever, and he was playing with his life in coming near us.

"He helped us to wash our fevered bodies, he built the fires and prepared the condensed milk and buried the camp offal and pitched the tents and carried live coals to the smokers and water to the thirsty. He cheered us up with his merry laugh and his radiant face, and he fetched and carried and ran in rain and shine, in darkness and dawn.

"He never thought of himself. He would work for hours in dripping clothes, and when we begged him to strip and wrap up in a blanket, he would say: 'No, I am too busy. Soon the sun will come, and it will dry me.' Then he would rush away to build a fire or raise the walls of a tent, so that a breath of clean air could reach us, and we could hear the water chugging in his shoes.

"When I was released from the camp, he threw his arms around me, and for an instant held me in his grasp.

"I could not see him plainly then, for the grateful tears blinded me; but, as the days pass by, I can behold him clearly. He stands there on the green hillside, little and swarthy and erect, blue circles of pain and weariness under his eyes, his face pinched and his hands shaking from loss of sleep. That was my last sight of Frank Martinez. I do not know whether he is living or dead, but I know that if he still lives, he is doing good."

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Report of the Condition of

The National Bank of Abbeville

at Abbeville, in the State of South Carolina at the close of business, March 28, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts.....\$169,375.99
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....7,461.35
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.....18,750.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures.....5,000.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents).....6,805.43
Due from State Banks and Bankers.....7,327.04
Due from approved reserve agents.....2,522.16
Checks and other cash items.....578.94
Notes of other National Banks.....3,445.00
Fractional paper currency, tickets, and cents.....697.24
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank viz:
Specie.....\$354.00
Legal-tender notes.....9,230.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (9 per cent. circulation).....937.50
Total.....\$241,892.62

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.....\$75,000.00
Surplus fund.....15,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....7,538.05
National Bank notes outstanding.....18,750.00
Individual deposits subject to check.....169,375.99
Demand certificates of deposit.....5,910.00
Bills payable, including certificates of deposits for money borrowed.....10,000.00
Total.....\$241,892.62

State of South Carolina, }
County of Abbeville, }
I, Henry S. Barnwell, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Henry S. Barnwell, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of April 1904. Julius H. DuPre, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
L. W. WHITE, }
AMOS B. MOORE, } Directors.
J. ALLEN SMITH, }

STATEMENT

Showing condition of

Farmers' Bank

Of Abbeville, S. C., at close of business 31st March, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts.....\$150,901.19
Furniture and fixtures.....445.00
Expenses paid.....325.20
Overdrafts.....1,418.81
Due from other banks.....13,180.60
Cash and checks.....13,602.14
Total.....\$166,872.94

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock.....\$75,000.00
Surplus fund.....15,000.00
Undivided profits.....4,619.81
Dividends unpaid.....386.05
Deposits.....92,857.13
Re-discounts.....15,000.00
Total.....\$166,872.94

South Carolina, }
Abbeville County, }
I, Julius H. DuPre, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Julius H. DuPre, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of April, 1904. Benj. S. Barnwell, N. P. A. C. S. C.

CORRECT—Attest:
Wm. H. Parker, }
P. B. Speed, } Directors.
K. M. Haddon, }

STATEMENT OF

The Bank of Donalds,

DONALDS, S. C.

At the close of business March 31st, 1904.
Began business September 25th, 1903.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts.....\$23,198.74
Real estate furniture and fixtures.....2,182.51
Cash on hand and in banks.....8,057.19
Total.....\$33,438.44

LIABILITIES.

Capital paid in.....\$11,810.00
Deposits.....17,421.04
Bills payable.....3,000.00
Net profit.....1,207.40
Total.....\$33,438.44

OFFICERS.
W. K. Stringer, President.
Robert A. Lewis, Vice-President.
Jas. C. Booker, Cashier.

DIRECTORS.
Elison A. Smith, Robt. A. Lewis,
W. R. Dunn, J. J. Dunn,
R. L. Barmore, W. B. Clinkscales,
W. K. Stringer.

State of South Carolina,
County of Abbeville,
I, Jas. C. Booker, Cashier of the Bank of Donalds, S. C., do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Jas. C. Booker, Cashier.
Sworn to before me this 31st day of March, 1904. J. C. Martin, Mag. A. C.

Attest:
R. L. Barmore, }
W. R. Dunn, } Directors.
J. J. Dunn, }

Panama's Sanitary Problem.

Surgeon General Wyman has received the report of Surgeon Perry, sent to Panama to investigate the sanitary condition and needs of the isthmus, from which it is apparent that the United States will be required to spend millions for the sanitary safety of life before it is humane to begin the work of actual construction on the Panama canal.

This is as was expected, and in view of the success achieved by our government in practically freeing Cuba from yellow fever, the task before Surgeon General Perry may not be such a Herculean one as is feared. Doubtless the purification of the canal route would be easier had no work ever been done on the great waterway, for the accumulated wreckage of years left by the French constructors has left a veritable hotbed of malarial germs from Colon to the rocky backbone of the isthmus. The ditch as far as constructed is filled with debris, rank undergrowth, slime and contaminated by the shallow graves of thousands of laborers who fell victims to the dread fever and bowel disorders endemic in that plague spot.

The problem of getting the labor least subject to malarial and other tropical diseases is going to be, perhaps, the greatest one connected with the whole undertaking. This was the French experience, but it is true that the French set a much lighter value on human life than will Uncle Sam when once he rolls up his sleeves and prepares to dig. The former canal companies did little really scientific and thorough work to better the sanitary condition of the right of way. They seem to have gone on the inhuman principle that lives were cheaper than sanitation.

Already there is talk of employing coolie labor if sanitary conditions are found to be such that Americans cannot work on the isthmus. The natives are said to be of little account as laborers and they seem to succumb to disease almost as readily as North Americans.

At any rate, the first thing the United States will have to do is to clean the canal route "from A to Zard," employing the most advanced sanitary methods. This will probably involve a good deal of delay in getting construction started.

Even a man with false teeth laments the decay of his teeth, and he would not be the successful food agent always stops in the frost yard to admire the children there.

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Stock ranges 10 months in the year.

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Do you want a nice linen shirtwaist suit, call at Haddon's.

Call at our store and see the beautiful colored Etamines at only 12-1-2 at the yard.

Now is the time to buy Linen you can be supplied at Haddon's.

You can be suited in all kinds of dress wear at Haddon's.

Millinery at Haddon's is attracting a wider range of trade than ever this season.

A new supply of trimming in our Millinery just in this week at Haddon's.

Call at Haddon's and be supplied with a new and up to date belt.

We can supply your wants in Ladies, Misses, and Childrens Oxford and sandals—also a beautiful line of infant shoes and hose.

L. W. White's Locals.

The most desirable styles of light weight Black Dress Goods are, Crepe de Paris, Colonnades and Batistes. You will find a full assortment of these at L. W. White's.

L. W. White's sale of white mercerized goods for waists and dresses has been very successful, but there are a great many styles still left which are being eagerly bought every day.

In point of extent, attractiveness and cheapness, nothing like L. W. White's stock of Embroideries and Laces has ever before been seen in the City of Abbeville. All the Ladies who have seen these goods should call at once and see the great bargains that are being offered.

L. W. White has never displayed a more beautiful line of Table Linens and Towels than he has now. Ask for them.

Don't forget to look at L. W. White's assortment of Mattings. He has some of the prettiest designs ever shown.

A SINGULAR WORK.

Our language contains a word ending with "S" that denotes anxiety, worry, etc., and to this word another "S" and it will denote affliction, joy, etc. Find this word in the paragraph below.

"Care" brings anxiety and worry, these bring derangement of the digestive organs, usually resulting in indigestion. Rydale's Stomach Tablets cure indigestion, it matters not whether your stomach trouble is caused by worry, overwork, neglect, malaria or any other cause. Rydale's Stomach Tablets will cure you. They insure perfect digestion and assimilation. They tone and strengthen the digestive organs, restoring them to health. Use them and good health will bless you and fortune "Care" you. C. A. Milford.

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Estate of Dr. J. A. Gibert, Dec'd

Notice of Settlement and Application for Final Discharge.

TAKE NOTICE that on the 3rd day of May, 1904, I will render a final account of my settlements and doings as Executor of the Estate of Dr. J. A. Gibert, deceased, in the office of Judge of Probate for Abbeville County at 10 o'clock a. m., and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as such Executor.

All persons having demands against said estate will present them for payment on or before that day, proven and authenticated or be forever barred. Albert Gibert, Executor.

State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.
PROBATE COURT.

Complaint to Sell Lands to Pay Debts.
M. B. Reese as Administrator Estate of Ariana Peyton, dec'd., Plaintiff, against Alice Morse, defendant.

By virtue of an order from the Court of Probate I will sell at public outcry at Abbeville Court House, on Saturday in May, 1904, next, for the payment of debts, the following described real estate belonging to the estate of the said Ariana Peyton, deceased, situate in said State and County, to-wit:

All that tract or parcel of land located in the City of Abbeville, S. C., containing FIVE-EIGHTHS OF ONE ACRE, and bounded by lands of Mrs. Ida Jones, Joel Smith, estate of Perry and others.

Purchaser to pay for papers. R. E. HILL, Judge Probate Court.

For Sale.

Two good mules, young and sound. Registered Jersey pigs from registered boar weighing 400 lbs., 20 months old.

Pasture to rent, 50 acres of bottom land well set in Bermuda grass; will fatten 100 head.

I will pasture all cattle at 12-1-2 cents a week.

Iris, S. C. T. L. HADDON.

W. D. Barksdale's Locals.

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See our line of men's and women's shoes, all grades, all prices and in the best style. W. D. Barksdale.

See our line of summer goods before you buy. W. D. Barksdale.

Rice meal, rice meal, the best and cheapest feed for hogs, horses and chickens on the market. Sold by W. D. Barksdale.

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Buck's stoves and ranges, all sizes and prices. W. D. Barksdale.

Boyer's Farmers Home fertilizers, the finest made. Sold by W. D. Barksdale.

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